The rain came out of its cloud, and beat With dripping fingers against the pane; And 'Come!" it gurgled, 'the air is sweet, There are grassy pools for your burning feet— Come out of doors and be well again! She writhed and mouned in her fever-toss,

And macking visions beset her brain; he dreamed of showers, and cool moist mass, if clear waves, foaming the ledge across. To turn the mill-wheel with might and main. "Give me your bloom, O flowers," said she; Give me your fresh, sweet breath, O rain; Give me your vigor, O tircless bee; Give me your life, O wind of the sea, That I may be strong and well again!"

And long ere the forest nuts were brown, When the fields were rich with the rusti And early apples grew red and round,

Out with the reapers, alert and sound, The little maiden was well again! -Portland Transcript. THE LANDLORD OF NEVADA GULCH.

The completion of the Pacific Railroad camp to camp, with the pertinacity of mos- chances to make something in the mines

the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans had been other could be heard praises of Dolly mingled with those of Salt Lake, the wed- Hamilton and his hotel. The flattery ding of the East and West had been cele- lavishly bestowed, was a balm to the feelbrated in the great cities on both sides of the continent, and in the midst of the desert, by a crowd of jovial spirits who as he thought how well he was doing. had gone thither for the occasion, The sun sinking out of sight beyond the been numbered with the things that were, western hills was looking for the last time when Dolly discovered that his venture upon the busy scene, for the lawless element plainly saw that their occupation was gone, or going with lightning rapidity, and were on the alert to do one more job before the grand smash-up. Consequently it was dangerous to go twenty yards from the cars, which were doing duty as hotels. This fact having been impressed on the minds of all spectable visitors, the tents wherein the gamblers congregated, and where they and expected to realize great largesses from the visitors, were in a measure empty. Here and there was a game progressing, but the greater number of the gamblers sat behind their tables lazily playing with piles of silver and gold waiting for some nnocent to come and get plucked. Behind one of these tables sat Dolly Hamilton with a cloud upon his brow; ever and anon dark, sinister flashes of malignity would play over his features, illuminating them as the lightning does the heavens when filled with black clouds, Something, evidently, had gone wrong with him, and he was sitting brooding over it,

or trying to contrive some plan by which was an article of very strange composition. It was not exactly as clastic as a piece of ndia-rubber or hard as a block of granite, yet deeds which would have troubled other consciences made no impression on his. furnished the first corpse for interment in the villages which had sprung up at the termini of the railroad, an action which he occasionally alluded to as "laying the cor-ner-stone of the graveyard." It was also believed that quite a number of the California stage-coaches had suffered from his roadside interviews with the drivers, and that the great corporation of Wells, Fargo & Co. had, even against its inclination, been induced to contribute large sums of money to aid him in prosecuting his explorations of the great gold-bearing disricts. Still these little episodes did not hurt his feelings or trouble his conscience; on the contrary, they formed bright spots on which he was wont to let his memory Dolly grown communicative and laid bare

"Dog me if I know what to do! This life is played out now. The game is took pastures new. Now I ain't much sorry for the bust up, 'cause I am right tired of this same thing all the time; but then, what's a fellow going to do? He can't go back to the States, 'cos the war has filled every place with roughs, and a gentleman wouldn't have half a chance. ing towns might do fur a while, but they peter out so confounded quick that one loesn't more'n get his seat warm afore he haint near as sure as that we've been having. Them old miners are too cute to be che ded and all a feller makes he must Interviewing stage-drivers don't pay now, 'cos thar is too much certainty of being cotched. I shouldn't wonder et was forced to take to honest ways, and that's what's a botherin' my conscience-

that is." The above remarks of Dolly were not addressed to any of his companions, but were communings with himself, carried on in an audible voice and overheard by the writer of this veracious history.

"The great conundrum with me is, What kin I do of I take to honest ways? I haint got no edgercation that'll allow me to take to the practice of law nor physic, deal more'n many as is lawyers and doctors; but ef I'm going to be honest I'll be so clean through and not on the surface only. Store-keeping might gin me an opening if I knew any thing about dickering for a 5-cent piece, but whar a feller has been all his life keerless about the pica-

yunes, it's not jest the cheese."

keerds for me. No more road-side inter- always tried to be on the square in this ish.

MILAN EXCHANGE.

MILAN, GIBSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, JANUARY 14, 1875.

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PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

NEARLY every body knows that nearly body lies, and yet nearly every body "What every body says must be

One who has felt the sharp frosts of dirtation, remarks that most young ladies have first an eager and then a nipping air. WE have heard of a pumpkin that weighed 198 pounds, but what a pigmy in

size compared with a pebble in a man's

JOHN BULL is so jealous of our reception

of the King of Hawaii, that the Sultan of

Zanzibar is to be cleaned up and clothed

A LECTURER aptly demonstrated the

theory that heat generates motion by pointing to a boy who accidentally sat

down on a piece of lighted punk.
"What you been a-doin?" asked a boy

of his playmate, whom he saw coming out of the house with tears in his eyes.

"I've been a-chasin' a birch rod round

"What makes you look so glu

Tom?" "Oh, I had to endure a sad trial to my feelings." "What on earth was it?" "Why, I had to tie on a pretty girl's bonnet with her mother looking on."

SPILKINS and a friend went out duck hunting the other day, and came back

with a story that the two of them together

had killed sixty-four in a half day. Upon

being pressed as to how many each killed,

A LADY and her eight-year old daughter were among the passengers on a Do-

little miss observed a man take out his handkerchief, flourish it around, and then

wipe his nose. The child leaned over to

her mother and whispered, "Mamma,

that centleman is trying to flirt with me. but I shall give him the handkerchief sig-

Among the dozen women who crowded

into the office of the Director of the Poor

yesterday morning was a little female with

"Well, I can't say exactly," she replied;

Memory or Instinct.

second public house, and then I asked him

the reason. He pointed to the off-hand

wheeler, and said that she had long been

up his team than by trying to drive her

past the place, for she was contented with a momentary stop. After this 1 watched

her, and it was evident that she knew exactly, before the coachman began to pull up the other horses, every public house on the road, for she had at some time stopped at all. I think there can be but little doubt that this mare recognized all

recorded of their returning for a consider-

Many years ago I was on a mail coach, and as soon as we came to a public house,

nal that I distrust his motives."

my father," was the snarling reply.

for a visit to England.

A word in season-Winter.

Domestic "sauce" is kept

views. No shenanigan. But a square town, and want to continue in the square deal at tavern-keeping with an honest tas-

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there might be an opening for him in some | a waiting fur you."

cause had bound them together and made conveniences to be found in public carathem a band of brothers, when arrayad vansaries, against honest working people, but separate and distinct elements when dealing with one another.

The last tie had been laid, the golden spike had been driven. The Occident and Orient had shaken hands: the waters of the last the waters of the last the had shaken hands: the waters of the last the last the had shaken hands: the waters of the last the last the had shaken hands: the waters of the last the last the last the had shaken hands: the waters of the last the last the last the had shaken hands: the waters of the last the last the last the had shaken hands: the waters of the last the last the had shaken hands: the waters of the last the had shaken hands: the waters of the last the las s; the waters of torfety. From one end of Nevada to the Several months had passed away and

had not been a paying one. He had, it is true, made money, but, at the same time he was greatly out of pocket. Quite a number of his oldest and most constant boarders had never paid him a cent, nor made a sign as if they intended to. The amount on his books showed that he had made money, while the amount he had paid out of his pocket convinced him that he had lost. As Dolly sat on the porch in front of his house, thinking over this matter, the clouds came and went from his countenance as of old, and those who knew him best felt that he was in no enviable humor, Repeated duns had failed to arouse his debtors to a sense of

their duty, and his creditors were press-I jess wish I could get my mind down to hard work, and work out this sum that s a-puzzling of me. I know I kin keep a hotel if I kin git my mind fixed, so as to work out the right road, but it's cussed hard to do that last. I've been trying it for several days, but haint succeeded yit."

While he was musing, three men, whose appearance denoted that they were gamers, came down the street and entered the house. They each carried a large sack of gold coin, and one of them called to Dolly to come in and join them in a social drink. While standing at the bar they told him how they had won several thou-He had on several occasions, with what he regarded as commendable public spirit, the mildest manner possible, suggested sand dollars from some flush miners who that, being loaded with double eagles, they could liquidate the debts they owed him. and by doing so relieve him from financial

embarrassments which were encompassing The delicate manner in which Dolly had preferred his request was not appreciated by his debtors, who laughingly derided him, saying they could not think of reducing their "bank" while they had such a good game-for the miners would certainly give them another rattle during the evening.

The snubbing received by Dolly acted in a singular manner on him. His brow cleared up; his face was once more wreathed in smiles, and he rubbed his hands gleefully as he turned on his heel and walked annoyed him. Just what that something was we might never have learned had not the remainder of the day Dolly was in the the remainder of the day Dolly was in the best of spirits; he laughed slyly, as he sauntered around the premises, knowingly at his employees, and saying, Wait until to-morrow morning and see. The "to-morrow morning" came, and suspicious-looking trenches beneath the shade of a large juniper-tree which grew upon a grassy bench but a little way from the front door of the hotel. Dolly Ham-liton was superintending the work. He appeared to be bursting with fun, which overflowed from him in rippling smiles and waves of guffaws. A number of men who had congregated on the porch were has to git. Then agin, the game thar watching the proceedings, and speculating on what the trenches were to be used for, All agreed that they looked like graves but then no person had died or been killed earn by square dealing, and that's too for several days, so they could not be intended for such a purpose. The crowd had been swelled by the addition of the gamblers to whom allusion has already been made, when one of them called out "Helio, Dolly, what the deuce are you

said: "Good morning, gentlemen; good morning. It's right pleasant." Then changing his voice, he sung the verse of

The gamblers laughed heartily at this nanifestation of wit on the part of the them on the porch, but refused to give any

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sel for respectability. That's the ticket I'll run en."

Dolly, after having arrived at this conclusion, raked down his piles of double clusion, raked down his piles of double clusion.

casles, his stacks of silver, and his rolls of greenbacks, and stowed them away. He threw the cards upon the floor, presented his silver faro-box and ivory checks to one worth shucks to a tavern-keeper, and the speaker in the speak of his acquaintances; then, walking to the bar, called for drinks for the house. When it is fur the boarding-house community. It glasses were filled he said:

Boys, Dolly Hamilton drinks to your health, and desires to say that he forsakes the brotherhood after to-night. He will retire from active life, and seek some mission to perform, and have had a call to seven children at the fort in care of Computer of the passes were filled to preach to gospil, but I do wish you to bear in mind that I have a mission to perform, and have had a call to seven children at the fort in care of Computer to the passes in his checks the better it is fur the boarding-house community. If don't want you fur to understand me to say that I'm a missionary, or been called to preach to gospil, but I do wish you to bear in mind that I have a mission to perform, and have had a call to seven children at the fort in care of Computer to the passes were filled here in November, 1846,8311 Mrs. Wimmer, with a part you families, across the plains from Missouri. On arriving at Sutter's Fort, Sacramento, we found Fremont in need of more men. My husband enlisted before we had got the oven university to the passes were filled he said:

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The "boys" drank to Dolly's health not conjugate and must pay me, or the old cedar tree this morning. You'll always be down upon the arid country, showing how desolate and uninviting it really was, they retired to their tents to sleep off the White Pin: mining region. He thought there might be an opening for him in some any of you 'uns come my way you may how money, and must pay me, or money, and must pay me, or out goes your lamps. I have had three only one, but many times, and continued all agree with me that the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with me that the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with morning. You'll all agree with me that the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with more than the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with me that the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with me that the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with me that the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with me that the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with me that the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with me that the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with me that the place isn't too ince comfortable graves dug out under the old cedar tree this morning. You'll all agree with me that the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with me that the place isn't too lonesome, and any reasonable fellow ought all agree with me that the place isn't too what is now called Donner Lake, to fetch over the effects of the Donner family, after that terrible winter of suffering that you have heard about.

BEN FRANKLIN.

A Few Hitherto Unwritten Iseldents in nice place where he will keep a hotel. Et do it. I have bills to pay, and must have missary Curtain. We drew our rations

by the laying of the highly-polished laurel istence by the wants of the miners. After tie at Promontory Point, in 1869, was the his arrival in White Pine, and he had spent took in the autonished countenances before expedition. After seven days of travel, the autonished countenances before took in the autonished countenances before expedition.

camp to camp, with the pertinacity of mosquitoes or birds of prey. This banded brotherhood was composed of nen who for years had been wanderers upon the face of the earth. Some of them had spent face of the earth. Some of them had spent the greater portion of their lives on the wide prairies, or in the midst of the rugged mountains which form the backbone ged mountains which form the backbone face of the earth. Some of them had spent the greater portion of their lives on the backslide before he gave honesty a fair win enough money to pay all the running and a log house—a good log house—and a log house—a good log house—and a log house—and a log house—and a log house—a good log house—and a log house—and a log house—a good log house—and a log house—a good log house—a good log house—and a log house—a good log house—and a log house—and a log house—and a log house—a good log house—and a log house—and a log house—a good log house—and a lo ged mountains which form the backbone of the continent, hunting, trapping, and trading; at times living with the indians on terms of equality, and at others fight-live years of the new district for the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most. You've tried to catch us in the after an absence of several days to the most at the most and the most and mad not remained with us. ing with them. They knew not the restraints of law—in fact knew no law other the business that would naturally follow birds aint caught by chaff. I want you to

in one way or another. A common the country, and fitted it up with all the and permit no one to go out unless he shows a card!

The man who had been stationed at the

inless he received his orders from the landlord.

upon your own head," shouted the gam-bler, fairly livid with rage, as he drew his revolver and leveled it at the head of the offender; before he had time to pull the trigger, Dolly Hamilton's pistol exploded, ball pierced the gambler's brain, and he fell to the floor a corpse, while Dolly, with the coolness of a veteran soldier, shot his glances around the room and said, "Are here any more going to try to get out in

The killing of the gambler created no excitement whatever, for it was only another added to the already long list of simlar episodes of life in Nevada Gulch.

The landlord, after having prepared the corner-stone for his new graveyard, sent out a boy with a bell to call in the citizens of the town to attend the funeral, and in due time a goodly crowd collected to pay The remains, incased in a neat burial-case were carried to the grave and deposited therein without any more ceremony than would have been observed in burying the body of a dog. The crowd proceeded to the hotel after the funeral, where several drinks were indulged in, and, while so engaged, a general conversation concerning the character of the deceased ensued. Dur ing the conversation one of the talkers remarked that it did not appear to him that the funeral had been conducted in regular

style. "Why? What was wrong about it?" "Well, you see, I'm not a funeral sharp, and don't know much about such things but it strikes me that something ought to have been said by some one afore we cum

away and left Jeff. forever." 'That's a fact," said Dolly, "Now, when I come to think of it, it is customary to say something; but then I was so confounded busy that I entirely forgot about it. But it's better late than never; so if you'll go back we will endeavor to remedy

The proposition was hailed with appro-bation, and again the crowd assembled around the grave, when Dolly, in his way, preached a funeral sermon. I shall not attempt to give my readers a report of this sermon, lest I be accused of ing lightly upon or altegether omitting to

mention the bad.

The funeral being over, Dolly proceeded to administer upon the estate of the deceased. He took charge of his effects, paid off his debts, sought out the relatives and paid over to them what remained, and finally wiped his hands of the transaction. The handsome manner in which Dolly had conducted himself after the killing, and the satisfaction he had rendered to all ever seen it before. trator, made him a great favorite with the excitable and chivalric citizens of Nevada Gulch, and they insisted upon bestowing on him the highest office in their gift. He was accordingly elected Mayor, without opposition, at the election in the fol-

trouble therafter in keeping a hotel. But

A very curious controversy respect-ing a will has just been settled at Newton, Mass. Mr. Seth Adams left a large sum te found in that place "The Adams Nervine Asylum," declaring in the will that insane people, but merely inhabitants of particulars concerning the holes he had

changed their plans and went to Coloma. of the towns that would be called into existence by the wants of the miners. After by the laying of the highly-polished laurel ties at Promontory Point, in 1869, was the signal for the disbanding of a gang of men who, from the day ground was broken at Omaha, had followed the wildges, he came very near toward of the miners. After with one of the revolvers, while his eyes took in the antonished countenances before him. There was an almost painful silence for a moment, when one of the gamblers mile above the town. Next morning Mr. who, from the day ground was broken at Omaha, had followed the graders from being wrecked. He saw so many good spoke up:

one of the gamblers and other villages, he came very near spoke up:

mile above the town. Next morning Mr. Wimmer went out to select a site for the Wimmer went out to select a site for the

than that of force—and were ever ready to appeal to that on the slightest provocation. Others were outlaws who had fled to the force one of the pioneers of the force one of the pioneers of t from the purishment which would certainly have been meted out to them by an outraged community, for infractions of the criminal code, had they not sought safety in flight. The remainder were men who had all their lives preyed upon the industrious and all their lives preyed upon the industrious and all their lives preyed upon the industrious and dishonest practices with cards. This element had come together—

Nevada Gulch.

Nevada Gulch.

The prospects looked so favorable, on the arrival of the immigrants, that they are one commenced the erection of houses. At first they threw up tents, and then followed with more durable buildings. Our hero built himself a large tent, put into it a big stove, and in forty-eight hours shrewd tracks and dishonest practices with cards. This element had come together—

Nevada Gulch.

The prospects looked so favorable, on the immigrants, that they are one to find the immigrants, that they one before."

Breakfast was finished in silence, and of them, on a little rough, muddy laked of them, on a little rough, before daylight, and about earning a dol.

The prospects looked so favorable, on the industrial specific provided in the mount of their was laked of them, on a little rough laked of them, on a l

"Open that door," exclaimed the gamler, "or you are a dead man in a minute!"

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The man replied that he could not do so being discovered; what about it? Mr. Marshall told him it was in my soap kettle. Mr. Marshall said it was there if it has been and so the said it was there if it has been so the said it was the said it was there if it has been said so that the freight in San Francisco, as no owner turned up. The Frenchman charged the worm, he would go to bed and sleep until shall said it was there if it had not gone 12 o'clock m. He always slept as much as Beefsteak...

> bottom of the pot was a double handful of day." This custom the great printer had, potash, which I lifted in my two hands, and there was my gold as bright as it could be. Mr. Marshall still contended it observed by the morning papers of this was not gold, but whether he was afraid his men would leave him or he really thought so, I don't know. Mr. Wimmer remarked that it looked like gold, weighed
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> The philosopher was a man of the most rigid tem, erance. He begged all the to-bacco he used, and he could never be in-Indians a certain number of handker- there is any record,

chiefs, pocket looking-glasses, shirts, bends, and other trinkets." enough to tell me how you came in posssion of the piece of gold?"

"Yes; it was just this way: One day Mr. Marshall was packing up to go away. dust on this 30 per cent. arrangement, and had it buried under the floor. In overhauling his traps, he said to me in the principles of truth. presence of Elish Packwood, 'Jenny, I His father was a tal intended to have a ring made from it for

from that day to this." "You have not the exact date of the discovery of the gold?" I asked.

but justice to history compels me to state that the speaker acquitted himself in a satisfactory manner, praising the good traits

The piece of gold I must describe. Its value is between four and five dollars. It looks like (pardon the comparison) a piece frame and rubbed his lump with ham-fat. in the character of the deceased, and touch- of spruce gum just out of the mouth of a make in a piece of nice gum. There are and he has just 'skinned' around the corone or two rough points on the edge, which, with a little stretch of the imagination, give the appearance of a man's head with a helmet on; then, turn it another way, and, as Mrs. Wimmer said, "it looks

Booker's Wooing. Booker, of Plymouth County, Iowa, was a widower of 40, and is a plodding, independent farmer. Booker is a man of usiness. He used to live in Sioux City. lowing spring.

Mayor Hamilton, having demonstrated that he could collect a bill, found no juri s received, when he moved to Ply-While there he fell into an excavation, mouth County, where there were fewer the two extra graves had to be filled up, because there were no occupants for them.

—Col. C. W. Crocker, in the San Francisco

Craftsman.

Induction County, where there were lewer to attend. So at the distribution of his father to table he asked permission of his father to attend the circus in the evening. "No, no, and moisture at seed-time, which effective and he had no time to fool away. He wanted a cheap article, too, so he resolved wanted w to marry one and have her for good or bad, as she might turn out. He went to I will not allow a son of mine to attend a The flora of the island comprises eightroom full of sewing-girls, and thought he the inmates of this asylum should not be might take his pick out of the lot. The insane people, but merely inhabitants of idea pleased Booker. He went straight to Massachusetts who had become debilitated the millinery establishment and told the and nervous, and thereby unable to pro-vide for themselves. His heirs contested was amused, and said: "There they are, vide for themselves. His heirs contested the will, and the case has finally been compromised so that the asylum will recompromised so that the asylum will remanifestation of wit on the part of the comprehence so that the heirs \$600,000 of heart. He casually dropped, in answer to the testator's money. Mr. Adams also their inquiring glances, that he was lookgave \$30,000 to the Consumptives' Home, \$20,000 to the Home for Aged Men, \$20, fied their willingness to do housework, The breakfast bell was rung soon afterward, when the boarders pushed into the dining-hall. While they were busily engaged in satisfying their hunger, Dolly entered the room, made his way to the entered the room, made his way to the ladustrial Woman's Friendly Society for the Prosessing of the Relief of Aged Females, \$10,000 to the Relief of Aged Females, \$10,000 to the Baldwin and asked: "What wages?" Booker then explained that he was looking for a wife. That altered the case, and the girls reddened and warmed up to their work. In the Industrial Woman's Friendly Society for the Prosessing of the Industrial Woman's Friendly Society for the Industrial Woman's Friendly Society face; the twitching of the muscles around his eyes gave evidence of the fact that he was busily thinking. The clink of the "Gentlemen: When I decided upon Aid Society of Boston \$500 each."

Monthed revolvers in front of him, their they both because they because they because they both because they beca

SIGUX CITY, Dec. 12, 1874.

DOCTER —: I Adres you a few lines to Aska the caracter and standing of one Harthaway J. Bookes of lamars who has give me you for A refance as he says you are well Aquainted with him pleas tell me his prinantial afares as well as his privet characte is he Abel to support A familey in comfort would he make a good husban pleas answer those few lines Amadilenty for I expect to leave town I will look for A answer A Monday. A Dres

Sioux City by 482.

The responses were all favorable to

The responses were all favorable to parents, to his own great joy and her hap-piness. And Booker took her to his farm in Plymouth County, and lost only two

January the 17th is the anniversary Ben Franklin's birthday. We suppose it in commemoration of the great philos

back to California.

"A plank was brought for me to lay my soap upon, and I cut it in chunks. At the off till to-morrow what you can do to-Bread....

hiefs, pocket looking-glasses, shirts, eads, and other trinkers."

He was a great and good man in his ter cold, and by time, but he was slow. He would not have been suited to this busy, progressive Hundreds and an anecdote illustrative of his fidelity to

His father was a tallow chandler an will give you this piece of gold. I always soap boiler, and as he used a great deal of wood he strove to inculcate habits of inmy mother, but I will give it to you.' I dustry in his son by letting him saw and took it, and have had it in my possession split all the fuel. One day young Ben was for carriages, there were none worthy the chopping wood in a very bad humor, because his work prevented him from going wery of the gold?" I asked.
"No, but it was somewhere about the His father came out to see that his son holidays, for I know that Captain Sutter | didn't pick out all the easy pieces to cut, had sent up to me a dozen bottles of old and as he passed by, the boy broke a stick brandy-six for the men and six for me. in two with a terrific blow, and one of the At first I could not find them-at last we pieces went whirling through the air like found them in a barrel of dried peas. Of an aerolite, nestled in the venerable man's course the men had a big Christmas, and back hair, raising a lump like a base ball. after they had drank up their six bottles they wanted mine, and they got them."

back nair, raising a lump like a base bail.
"Who would be so cruel as to hit a poor old man like me?" inquired the stricken " Father, dear father," sobbed the fuwhich will be held in the boiler room in

He went to bed but not to sleep. An hour afterward Ben and his wife night have been seen seated on a top board nder the brilliantly lighted circus tent. Ben's face glowed with enjoyment and his jaws worked industriously upon a big end of twisted dog-tail tobacco. Once he bowed his head and allowed a half pint of

A smothered cry of pain came up from I have spitten in some one's face."

ments. The next day a physician of Sioux | weeds,

San Francisco in 1849.

There is a sort of amazement in one's mind whenever it reverts to the probability of Macaulay's immortal New Zealander give constantly seem never to impress SIOUX CITY, Dec. 12, 1874. sitting on a broken arch of London Bridge some people with the fact that leopards Booker as a suitor. The next day he mar-ried Mary with the full consent of her parents, ro his own great joy and her hap-years, is by far, or ought to be, more as-black Java leopard, instead of a lion, is to

for months. had just tried with a feather, 'and if it is gold it will be gold when it comes out.' I finished off my soap that day and set it off to cool, and it stayed there till next morning. At the breakfast table one of the workbands raised up his head from eating.

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was not gold, but whether he was afraid his men would leave him or he really thought so, I don't know. Mr. Wimmer remarked that it looked like gold, weighed heavy, and would do to make money out of. The nen promised not to leave till the mill was finished. Not being sure it was gold, Mr. Wimmer arged Mr. Marshall to go to the fort and have it tested. He did so, and George McKinstry, an asayer, pronounced it gold. Captain Sutter came right up with Mr. Marshall, and er came right up with Mr. Marshall, and tramp. One evening he entered Philadel- what damaged, perhaps. The c imate, at in the ashes on the stove hearth. The old and along this road he had been ridden by called all the Indians together, and agreed phia on foot, with a loaf of bread under with them to certain boundaries that they his arm, from which he was drawing lib- At sunrise the weather was as mild and from the kitclen and tripped over the old any wish to return in this direction. claimed, and on the right of discovery de- eral rations. History makes no mention serene as at Naples; by 11 o'clock the man's prostrate form, knocking down a had purchased this horse several years bemanded thirty per cent. of all gold taken of the black bottle in his coat-tail pocket. They, in payment, were to give the This is the first tramp printer of whom dust, but gravel of respectable size flew naments. When that boy's father arose borhood, who had possessed him for a about like hail; by 2 p. m. it became bit- from the wreck and shook the ashes and considerable time. Nevertheless, it is pos-

He had gathered together a good deal of the Hon, Oakes Ames and the Hon, John that time to San Francisco. There was occasions is three hundred thousand times titudes, only at one season of the year, on Morrissey were his colleagues. There is an ouse of seeking a remedy. No sleep an anecdote illustrative of his fidelity to the principles of truth.

worse than the "hiccups." He can't play tag now, as he says his mother has for ing their way to that speek of land in the erally drunk on the blood of the restless bidden him, and he sits on the edge of the morning. Then the little vampires took a in bed, and silently murmurs that the old

rest themselves. The city boasted of but few horses; as before he will ever try to cure him.

Such was the city of San Francisco in 1849; ye. every body was busy, every thing was sold and bought for gold dust. Every body had scales and weights, and every body seemed somehow to have gold,

The Island of Desolation.

Keronelen's Land, or Island of Desola tion, was discovered in 1772 by the French navigator, Ires Joseph de Kerguelen Tremoree. It is situated in the Antaretic Ocean, in the Eastern Hemisphere, and has an area of about 100 miles in length school girl, except the color. It is rather ture philosopher, "I can't tell a lie. It by 50 in breadth. The surface of the island flat, full of indeutations, just as the teeth was the boy who lives across the street, is varied with hill and dale; its soil is reby 50 in breadth. The surface of the island markably fertile; it is irrigated by numerner." "My son, my own dear boy," said his pa, dashing a pearly tear-drop from his loving orbits. "You are cordially invited France, somewhere about 50° S.—yet, on to attend a matinee for children only, account of the inclemency of its climate, it seems to be hopelessly uninhabitable. like some kind of a varmint or other." It ten minutes from this moment of speak- It is not that the cold is so severe. Durcan be easily identified by any one who has | izg. Positively no postponement on ac- | ing Capt. Ross's visit to the island, which count of the weather, and no pains spared extended over the two mid-winter months make things interesting for the from the 12th of May to the 20th of July, A little incident worth relating happened to Ben after he had become a mar- mained longer than two or three days on ried man, and was living in a small village the lower grounds. A later party, who down in Connecticut. J. W. Dusenberry's great circus and menagerie just aron the island, reports that the average rived from Blossenburg, and was going to give a performance in the evening, and Ben's oldest boy was seized with an irre-midsummer month, when summer should sistible desire to attend. So at the dinner- have been at its height. There is a lack of

Sioux City and called on an old friend, to circus performance where I myself would een different flowering plants; but there whom he stated his desperate case. The blush to be seen. Go to bed, my boy, and is not a tree or a shrub among them. All friend told him where there was a large your mother and I will go to prayeryour mother and I will go to prayer-meeting. To-morrow I will buy you a testament for your obedience." are herbaceous in character. Spitzbergen, lying between the parallels of 76° and 80° N., has three times this number of flowering plants; and Campbell Island, 2° farther south, but with nearly the same summer-temperature as Kerwnelen. guelen's lard cabbage (Pringles antiscor-butica), which has been considered peculiar to this Island, is now found to be an inhabitant of Marion and Young Islands, juice to issue from his mouth and descend in the Head group, and probably also of the Crozets. It is, however, confined to the islands in the immediate vicinity of Kerguelen. This plant is greatly prized Said old Ben: "Gracious, I do believe by sailors in southern seas, for its antiscorbutic qualities. Its leaves grow in a close his wife: "Too bad! but, oh! head, like the common garden-cabbage, Again the brow of the sollioquizer contracted, and the clouds floated over his lead of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of silver- ty, the Industrial Aid Society for the Present of the table, laid a pair of s tracted, and the clouds floated over his face; the twitching of the muscles around face; the twitching of the muscles around mounted revolvers in front of him, then wention of Pauperism, and the Young ment's conversation in private. She blush-they both became engrossed in the antics mustard; while the root stocks taste like of the clown.

Next morning at breakfast this boy ap
horse-radish. By a fortunate provision of Nature, the plant abounds on this arid lumbus, Ga., have received sixty woolen hole which had formed in the roadway.

Petting a Leopard.

sketching the ruins of St. Paul's. Surely the actual reality of finding one of the fairest cities in the world, boasting 150,000 was not long ago that the Herald ansouls, well housed, public and private nounced the terrible tearing of the hand of buildings of great pretensions, streets that in beauty vie with those of the finest cities, wharfs measured by miles; in short vice of one of the keepers, and yesterday counding than the ruin and downfall of be recorded. At Barnum's Hippodrome, London after thousands of years, or Lord Maculay wisely did not predict the period of the New Zealander's sketching trip.

Truly the Bibical curse, "Ye shall build of a lion and lioness, a Brazilian tiger, a sixty-three, and he—all the rest. houses and others shall live in them," was spotted leopard, and the black Java leop-the lot of early California adventurers. and mentioned above. The collection is a How few, indeed, of those early schemers fine one, and greatly admired by those troit street ear, recently, and presently and workers are now the owners of the immense wealth of the city, which is estimated at \$200,000,000! How few of their watching the man who takes care of the lescendants, even, can lay claim to any animals patting the black leopard, con-The busy bees carry the honey to the hive, and the cunning farmer gathers the honey-combs.

In Mary 1819, the same pleasant duties. Waiting until the keeper had turned his back, he crept under the iron bar and thrust his hand in the cage. In May, 1849, there were less than 150 It came out, however, quicker than it wooden houses built, including all shan- went in, and in the mest deplorable conties scattered over the seven hills ; for San dition, being nearly torn off by the claws Francisco had at that time seven hills.

Thousands of tents were everywhere erected, and in these people dwelt. The Piaza, or public square, had at one time remainded by the property of the infuriated brute. This little feat, however, did not satisfy the animal. She began to storm up and down the cage, and property of the infuriated brute. This little feat, however, did not satisfy the animal. She began to storm up and down the cage, and an anxious look. "Well, what do you want?" asked the Director, as he came to her case, "I'd like some money," she whitspered. "How much?" the wind is the property of the infuriated brute. This little feat, what do you want?" asked the Director, as he came to her case, "I'd like some money," she whitspered. "How much?" one decent wooden house, called the Parker House, which, of course, was a gambling house; while the more pretenof the wire lacings that are put against the tious tents were one and all gambling bars to confine her more securely; and in She didn't get any relief, -Detroit Free the next moment she stood free in the Iress, The busiest man in that city at that promenade, Her long, black, lithe body, time was one Sam Brannan, a retired or gliding around with as little noise as a ser reformed Mormon, perhaps still alive. pent would make, was soon noticed by the The nominal ruler of the city was a Mr. other animals, and then the opera commenced. Dan and Pomp, the two great were one and all ex-soldiers in the Mexi- African lions, opened first their bass can war, robbers, cut-throats, and cow- voices, and were soon followed in concert ards; yet the floating mass of inhabitants, by the howl of the hyena, and the bellownumbering no less than fifty thousand, ing of the sacred bull and water buffalo, were actually tyrannized over, robbed by. Every animal in the p ace, it seemed, took and afraid of, these twenty thieves. It may seem strange that such a state of affairs could possibly exist for a single day, She, however, did not seem so tractable as before stopped. He had found by experiyet it is nevertheless true that it did exist usual, and showed fight, and might have ence that less time was wasted by pulling made it rather ugly for the keeper, had There were hotels. One man, whose not an unexpected appearance been put in name was Merrit, had a large wooden at that moment by Master Jack, the bull had all their lives preyed upon the industrious and ignorant, gaining a living by stricts and ignorant, gaining a living by into it a big stove, and in forty-eight hours from the time of arrival was prepared to garning a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting stalked toward the door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting stalked toward the door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting stalked toward the door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting stalked toward the door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting them, and Mr. Marshall gave it to him to door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting them, and Mr. Marshall gave it to him to door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting them, and Mr. Marshall gave it to him to door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting them, and Mr. Marshall gave it to him to door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting them, and Mr. Marshall gave it to him to door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting them, and Mr. Marshall gave it to him to door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting them, and Mr. Marshall gave it to him to door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting them, and Mr. Marshall gave it to him to door, without as much as giving a look at the clerk. The venerable phiosopher, quoting them, and the phiosopher, quoting them, and the phiosopher, quoting them you to put it into saleratus water to see if post-office for an hour or two, and then it will tarnish.' I said, 'This is gold, and I will throw it into my lye-kettle,' which I had inst tried with a feather tend if it is lead to be provided by himself. It is, however, but fair to relate that Merrit always cured. The keeper was cut about the

A young gentleman who attends the Austin, Nev., public school had been told, eye-sight-and by hearing. This leads me says the Reveille, that a sudden shock or to mention another trilling fact. I sent a 2 00 fright would cure the hiccough, and the riding horse by railway from Kent via 2 00 other evening, while he was studying his Yarmouth to Freshwater Bay, in the Isle 50 lesson for the morrow by drawing a pic- of Wight. On the first day that I rode ture of the schoolma'am on his slate, his eastward, my horse, when I turned to ing on the top of the stove, and the young | peated trials, and every time that I stackter cold, and by 6 p. m. the wind had en-tirely subsided. splinters of glass out of his hair and clothes he was cured of the hiccoughs, but horse may have been born in the I-le of Hundreds and thousands of white rats, there was a look of sternness in his eye; Wight. Even if we grant to animals a generation. He lacked the great compre- with fiery red eyes, ran about in the streets the boy says he knows it was a "stern" hensive, abstract elements of modern American statesmanship. He would hardly have shown in a congress where which the statesmanship. He would hardly have shown in a congress where which the statesmanship is a splendid cure for the tent or house. What flies are to Egypt, fleas were at "hiccups," but that the "stern" look it which formerly congregated in great mulsleeper, which was generally by 5 in the seat at school, and lies on his front when man can hiecup his consarned old head off

Cramming Poultry.

for market .- American Agriculturist.

these eleven lines the summary of life:

These eleven lines the summary of years in childhood's sport and play.

years in school from day to day.

years at trade or college life.

years to find a place and wife.

years to pleasure's follies given.

years to business hardly driven.

years for some wild-goose chase.

years for wealth and bootless race.

Mild Pills.

I would not say any thing to lower the tone of your professional or personal me deception which is not sin. I was sitting It is altogether a vitiated taste that cre- at dinner once with an esteemed country ates a demand for over-fattened meat. medical friend, and noticed him rolling in There is no nutriment in fat, and with the his fingers pills from the bread at his side. large consumption of sugar, syrup and starchy food, that is common among us, the necessities of the system for carbonaceous food are fully, if not over supplied.

The use of excessively fat food then is a waste of material, and it probably induces some of the billious disorders which are so some of the same pills which he had given common. With regard to poultry these remarks are especially applicable. The doing a very wicked thing, nor did it markets of the cities are filled with fowls strike me that he was. I suppose he that are lined with fat, a useless addition would have been a little flustered if his that is a loss to the consumer, and its pro- patient had asked him to write out the duction has been at the expense of a waste of food to the feeder. Besides, house keepers complain of these over fat fowls, one else, and would have trusted no one that they are deficient in delicacy of flavor, and are coarse and greasy, thus losing in quality as well as in weight. This matter is in the hands of farmers themselves to ics, I cannot say. The standard of morals remedy. They alone decide as to what degree of fatness their fowls shall be to say, not always the same. Recently I brought, or rather, not knowing exactly how fat they are, they continue to feed them much too long for their own profit. It was a slander suit. The trial involved, among other things, in-A very thin fowl can be brought into good condition for the table by three weeks' feeding. Generally a fowl from a grain-stubble or a barn-yard at a time when waste grain is scattered about liberally, as well as at other times, when the house-wife undertakes the feeding of the poul-istered homeopathic remedies without lettry, is sufficiently fat for the market, with- ting his patient know the fact, it was quite out extra feed. If poultry is marketed at the age of two years, and none older than patient that they were homeopathic medithat kept, the quality of the flesh will be cines, then he was altogether wrong and all that can be desired, without any cram- irregular. In other words, regularity lay ming or extra feed, and the extra fat that in the concealment of the truth. laid upon an old fowl is no addition to unprofessional man, do not mean to exits goodness, but rather adds to its bad qualities. A good judge of poultry looks to the age of a fowl, and passes by the old birds that have been crammed to fit them

Gas Explosion in Birmingham, Eng.

plosion occurred shortly before 8 o'clock Some modern philosopher has given in last evening, in Great Lister Street, Birmingham. So far as can be ascertained, there has been a leakage from the water mains in the street for some time past and this caused a subsidence of the soil of the roadway, forming a cavity beneath the surface. It is believed that the sinking of the earth tore away a service-pipe from escape of gas took place. The gas which sewer adjacent, it is believed, was fired by